Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listing, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1-20. (previously canceled)

21. (currently amended) A computing environment configured to process a trusted command, comprising:

an untrusted environment to parse a trusted command <u>in order to establish a</u> parsed trusted command, said trusted command only being executable in a trusted environment; and

a trusted environment to receive the <u>parsed</u> trusted command from the untrusted environment and to communicate a representation of the <u>parsed</u> trusted command.

- 22. (previously presented) The computing environment of claim 21, wherein the trusted environment executes the trusted command if the trusted environment detects confirmation of the trusted command.
- 23. (previously presented) The computing environment of claim 21, wherein the representation of the trusted command is communicated through a trusted path.
- 24. (previously amended) The computing environment of claim 23, wherein the trusted path is between a user and the trusted environment.
- 25. (previously presented) The computing environment of claim 21, further comprising:

a user interface to communicate with the untrusted environment and the trusted environment.

26. (currently amended) A method of processing a trusted command, said trusted command only being executable in a trusted mode, comprising the steps of:

parsing a trusted command in an untrusted mode of a system;

then establishing a trusted mode of the system; and
then communicating a representation of the trusted command in the trusted
mode.

- 27. (previously presented) The method of claim 26, further comprising the step of: executing the trusted command in the trusted mode if confirmation of the trusted command is detected.
- 28. (currently amended) The method of claim 26, wherein the communicating step comprising comprises the step of:

displaying a representation of the trusted command.

29. (currently amended) A method of processing a trusted command, comprising the steps of:

interpreting a trusted command in an untrusted mode;

communicating a representation of the trusted command in a trusted mode;

verifying the trusted command in the trusted mode after the communicating

step; and

executing the trusted command in the trusted mode after the verifying step.

executing the trusted command in a trusted mode:

communicating a representation of the trusted command in the trusted mode;

- 30. (canceled)
- 31. (canceled)

32. (previously amended) The method of claim 29, wherein the verifying step comprises the step of:

requesting confirmation of the trusted command in the trusted mode.

- 33. (previously presented) The method of claim 29, further comprising the step of: using the trusted command in the untrusted mode.
- 34. (previously presented) The method of claim 29, further comprising the step of: transitioning from the untrusted mode to the trusted mode.
- 35. (previously amended) The method of claim 29, further comprising the step of: transitioning from the trusted mode to the untrusted mode.
- 36. (currently amended) The method of claim 35, further comprising the step of: issuing a message to <u>a user to</u> indicate a transition to the untrusted mode before the transitioning step.
- 37. (previously presented) The method of claim 29, further comprising the step of: detecting if a command is a trusted command in an untrusted mode.
- 38. (previously presented) A machine-executed method for executing a trusted command issued by a user on a computing system including an untrusted computing environment and a trusted computing environment, said method comprising the steps of:
- (a) receiving user identification data in the trusted computing environment from the user via a trusted path;
- (b) receiving the trusted command from the user in the trusted computing environment via an untrusted path;
- (c) parsing the trusted command in the untrusted computing environment to generate a parsed command;
 - (d) submitting the parsed command to the trusted computing environment;

- (e) performing a security check on the parsed command and user identification data in the trusted computing environment; and
 - (f) executing the trusted command in the trusted computing environment.
- 39. (previously presented) The method of claim 38, wherein the security check enforces a security criterion from the Department of Defense Trusted Computer System Evaluation Criteria (Ref. No. DOD 5200.28-STD).
- 40. (previously presented) A method including the steps of claim 38 and additionally including the steps, executed after step (d) and before step (f) of claim 38, of:
- (1) in the trusted environment, displaying a representation of the parsed command to the user;
- (2) receiving a signal from the user signifying whether the displayed representation accurately represents the trusted command; and
- (3) if the signal signifies that the displayed representation does not accurately represent the trusted command, then preventing the performance of step (f) of claim 38.
- 41. (previously presented) A method including the steps of claim 38 and additionally including the steps, executed after step (d) and before step (f) of claim 38, of:
- (1) in the trusted environment, displaying a representation of the parsed command to a second user;
- (2) receiving a signal from the second user signifying whether the displayed representation accurately represents a legitimate command; and
- (3) if the signal signifies that the displayed representation does not accurately represent a legitimate command, then preventing the performance of step (f) of claim 38.